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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of December 9, 2003 finally rejecting claims 5-8.

The following items are enclosed herewith:

- A request for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for 3 months.
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If there are any questions about this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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